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REMARKS

This application pertains to a novel method for the treatment of immunosuppression of the skin cells induced by UVB radiation, and for the protection of the cells which participate in the immune response of the skin.

The claims now pending are claims 8, 11, 16 and 18; claim 17 being cancelled and claim 18 being added by this amendment.

The cancellation of claim 17 is without prejudice, and applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications drawn to the subject matter of claim 17.

Claims 14 and 17 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as anticipated by U.S. Patent 5,431,912 because the Examiner sees that patent as disclosing several of the specific flavonoids recited in applicants' claims.

Claim 17 has now been cancelled, and claim 14 amended to cancel the specific

flavonoids mentioned by the Examiner.



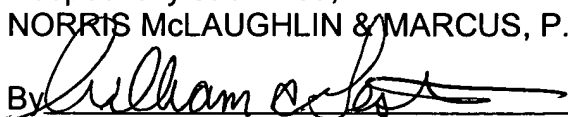
The rejection of claims 14 and 17 under 35 USC 102(e) as anticipated by U.S. Patent 5,431,912 is thereby believed overcome, and should now be withdrawn.

Applicants note with appreciation that claims 8, 11-13 and 15-16 are allowable. In view of the present amendments and remarks, it is believed that claims 14 and 18 are now also in condition for allowance.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that claims 8, 11-16 and 18 are now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of said claims by the Examiner is respectfully requested, and the allowance thereof is courteously solicited. Should the Examiner not deem the present amendment and remarks to place the instant claims in condition for allowance, it is respectfully requested that this Amendment Under Rule 116 be entered for the purpose of placing the prosecution record in better condition for appeal.

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